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- 29. (New) Process according to claim 9, for preparation of a silage aid comprising 2,6-ditert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) and 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA), and formic acid, by
- a) dissolving BHA in the acid, and
- b) subsequently, dissolving BHT in the solution obtained in step a).

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- 30. (New) Process according to claim 10, for preparation of a silage aid comprising 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) and 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA), and formic acid, by
- a) dissolving BHA in the acid, and
- b) subsequently, dissolving BHT in the solution obtained in step a).

### REMARKS

The specification has been amended to insert a cross-reference to the International Application.

The claims have been amended to avoid their multiple dependency, as a result of which new claims 14-30 have been added to the application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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### <u>Claims</u>

- 1. Silage aid comprising at least one antioxidant selected from the group
- 2.6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT), 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA).

  5 tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ), tocopherol and gallates; at least one short chain
  - carboxylic acid: and optionally at least one salt of said acid.
  - 2. Silage aid according to claim 1, wherein the short chain carboxylic acid is formic acid acetic acid and/or propionic acid.
  - 3. Silage aid according to claim 1 or 2. wherein the short chain carboxylic acid is formic acid of concentration 60-100%, preferred 83-98%.
  - 4. Silage aid according to claim 1 or Zelaims, wherein the short chain carboxylic acid is acetic acid or propionic acid of concentration 60-100%, preferred 80-100%
  - 5. Silage aid according to any of the proceeding claims, wherein 0.1-10% of the antioxidant, preferred 0.3-2%, is dissolved in the short chain carboxylic acid.
  - 6. Silage aid according to any of the proceeding claims. comprising an antioxidant selected from the group BHA. TBHQ and propyl galate (PG): and formic acid.
  - 7. Silage aid according to any of the proceeding claims. comprising BHA and BHT: and formic acid.
  - 8. Process for preparation of a silage aid comprising at least one antioxidant selected from the group 2.6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT). 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA). tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ), tocopherol and gallates: a short chain carboxylic acid: and optionally at least one salt of said acid. by dissolving the antioxidants in the acid.
  - 9. Process according to claim 8, by dissolving 0.1-10% of the antioxidant preferred 0.3-2%, in a short chain carboxylic acid of concentration 60-100%.

- 10. Process according to claim 8 or 9, by dissolving 0.1-10% of the antioxidant, preferred 0.3-2%, in formic acid, acetic acid and/or propionic acid of concentration 60-100%.
- 11. Process according to claim 8. 9 or 10. for preparation of a silage aid comprising
- 5 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) and 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA), and formic acid, by
  - a) dissolving BHA in the acid, and

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- b) subsequently, dissolving BHT in the solution obtained in step a).
- 10 12. Use of a silage aid comprising at least one antioxidant selected from the group 2.6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT), 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA).

  tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ), tocopherol and gallates; a short chain carboxylic acid; and optionally at least one salt of said acid, for protection of fish oil during a fish silage process.
  - 13. Use of a silage aid comprising at least one antioxidant selected from the group 2.6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT), 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (BHA).

    tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ), tocopherol and gallates; a short chain carboxylic acid; and optionally at least one salt of said acid, during preservation of organic by-products.